

to make it obligatory on the part of manufacturers to issue a certificate to the effect that every vehicle released for sale shall be covered by a warranty certificate issued by the manufacturer that the vehicle will be conforming to the pollution standards for a period of two years subject to proper maintenance by the owner, and if during the warranty period the vehicle is found to violate the emission standards the vehicle shall be liable to be recalled by the manufacturer and suitable replacement/compensation given to the owner.

Support to Small and Medium Industrial Units by International Development Research Centre

1863. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Development Research Centre, a funding agency of Canada has decided to support small and medium industrial units in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Conference on Economic Advancement of Poor Rural Women

1864. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(b) whether the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and United Nations agency, propose to organise a conference on the 'Economic Advancement of Poor Rural Women' in Geneva;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India propose to participate in the Conference; and

(d) if so, the issues likely to be raised in the conference?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE ((SHRI RANESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. A summit on the Economic Advancement of the Rural Women sponsored by the International fund for Agricultural development (IFAD) was held in Geneva, Switzerland on February 25 - 26, 1992.

(c) India was represented at the summit by Smt. Mahasveta Devi as a Special Representative of Smt. J. Venkataraman, wife of the President, Shri R. Venkataraman.

(d) The summit was intended to create global awareness of poor rural women's economic constraints, contribution and potential and to mobilise action and resources to improve rural women's socio-economic position worldwide by Governments; non-governmental organisations and the United Nations System.

[English]

SHRI RUPCHAND PAL (hooghly): Mr. Speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to draw the attention of this August House to a very serious matter. The matter is that it has emanated from posibale and very knowledgeable quarters that foreigners are being allowed to sit though highly confidential meetings in the Prime Minister's Office. Now, as you know, foreigners are being allowed to monitor the economic administration of our country for sometime now; former bureaucrat of fund-Bank have taken over our economic administration and now the news has come that in the name of research some English Professor has been